

U.S. EPA's National Beach Conference

March 15-17, 2011

Miami, Florida

Draft Agenda

Sunday, March 13, 2011 (Pre-Conference Meetings and Activities)

5:00–8:00 State and Regional Meetings

Monday, March 14, 2011 (Pre-Conference Meetings and Activities)

8:00–10:00 Beach Monitoring 101 for State or Local Beach Managers

10:00–12:00 Introduction to Rapid Methods

1:00–6:00 Predictive Tools Forum

1:00–6:00 Rapid Methods “Hands-on Lab”

Tuesday, March 15, 2011

7:00–5:00 Registration

8:00–9:30 Session I: Welcome Speakers

9:30–10:00 BREAK

10:00–11:45 Session II: How is beach program policy evolving?

11:45–1:15 LUNCH (on your own)

1:15–3:00 Session III: How is beach management evolving in a time of changing priorities and policies?

3:00–3:30 BREAK

3:30–5:15 Session IV: How do we reach the beachgoing public with the best information?

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

7:30–4:00 Registration

8:00–9:45 Session V: Epidemiological Studies: What does the science tell us?

9:45–10:15 BREAK

10:15–12:00 Session VI: What are the roles of sanitary surveys and source tracking?

12:00–1:30 LUNCH (on your own)

1:30–3:15	Session VII: How do we use quantitative microbial risk assessment to develop site-specific criteria?
3:15–3:45	BREAK
3:45–5:30	Session VIII: Other rapid methods and alternative indicators: what else is out there?
6:00–8:00	Poster Session

Thursday, March 17, 2011

7:30–1:00	Registration
8:00–9:45	Session IX: How do rapid methods fit into the larger Clean Water Act paradigm?
9:45–10:15	BREAK
10:15–12:00	Session X: How can predictive tools complement beach monitoring programs?
12:00–1:30	LUNCH (on your own)
1:30–3:15	Session XI: Implementing new methods: how can we meet the challenge?
3:15–3:45	BREAK
3:45–5:30	Session XII: Putting it All Together: Where Do We Go from Here?